

School System Grows to Fulfill Children's Needs

Like the 23,200 children in its 730 classrooms, the Torrance Unified School District is growing bigger and making more progress each year.

During the past year, the district:

- Continued to work on improving its instruction program to better serve the children of Torrance.
- Gained more than 2000 more students.
- Opened five new elementary schools, a new high school, and

new library building.

- Reduced the percentage of children on double session from 23 to 11 per cent.
- Gained an additional square mile of territory to serve.

Enrollment Soars

The number of children to be served in the rapidly-growing city continued to skyrocket, as 23,200 children answered the call of the school bell. This includes some 18,700 elementary students and some 4400 high school students. Within 10

years, it is expected that more than 35,000 students will be enrolled in Torrance schools.

On next fall's horizons, according to estimates, is an enrollment of more than 25,000, including about 20,000 elementary and 5000 high school pupils.

New Schools

The number of elementary schools increased from 22 to 27 during the past year, with the opening of Calle Mayor, Jefferson, Magruder, Hamilton, and Yukon Schools. The number of



KINDERGARTENERS LEARN THEIR NUMBERS—Cynthia Chris and Daniel Rivard, kindergarten students at Magruder School, brush up on their numbers and their alphabet from tile on the floor of their classroom. The "circle of knowledge" is one of the modern features of Magruder School, which was one of three new elementary schools to open this month.

to be considered in the educational program:

- Education must be general enough to provide a basis for the citizen to change his occupation as time passes.
 - It must be specific enough to provide him with some skills that can be used either vocationally or for further study.
 - Many of the children we are teaching today will be working at vocations that are not now in existence.
 - The American traditions, cultural heritage, and humanities must be emphasized in order to maintain the basic idea of our American ideals and institutions.
- "We will continue to work for improvement of our program in the Three R's, science, and other subjects which children need," Hull declared. "At the same time, we are working to provide the best education possible for

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VOTER REGISTRATION

Persons interested in registering to vote may sign up with Mrs. Bertha McCullough, of 425 W. 235th St.



NEW BUILDING—Clinton B. Cooke, president of the Torrance Board of Education, examines architect's sketch of South High School gymnasium building now under construction.

high schools increased from two to three, with the opening of South High School. Work on additions at North and South High Schools got underway, as well as additions at five other elementary schools.

The new Educational Materials building, a "supermarket of education," also was opened during the year. It houses more than 200,000 library books, films,

filmstrips, records, and other educational materials used in the instruction of local youngsters.

Scheduled for construction within the near future are four more elementary schools—Adams, Madison, Towers, and a yet-to-be-named school in the Victor Tract. Additions also are slated at several others.

High Schools

Work now is underway on the final unit of North High School. One more unit of work remains to be built at South High School. Plans are being made to open West High School in 1962. The board recently has discussed the possible need for still a fifth high school.

The district also gained an additional square mile of territory to serve, with the annexation of the Victor and Howard Industrial Tracts to the school district. This action, effective July 1, makes the boundaries of the city and the school district the same.

Nevertheless, the district managed to reduce the percentage of children on double session from 23 to 11 per cent during the year by opening the new schools. The problem was greatest here in 1954 when 48 per cent of the children were on half-day sessions.

Bonds Passed

Torrance voters did their part in battling double sessions in October, 1958, by approving a \$15,000,000 bond issue for new schools. By an overwhelming 7-1 margin, they endorsed continuation of the funds, which will be used to construct more school buildings.

Local voters also returned School Board President Clinton B. Cooke for another four-year term on the Torrance Board of Education, which is charged with responsibility for seeing that children are adequately provided for. William C. Boswell Jr. also was elected to the board, joining three other veteran members—Mrs. Grace Wright, Joseph G. Arnold, and Walter A. Garbrant.

Dr. Hull Continues

Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of Torrance schools since the district was founded in 1947, continued as the chief administrative officer. Assistant Superintendents Albert N. Fosner and S. E. Waldrip head the educational and business departments, respectively.

The number of school employees grew from 1181 to 1285 during the year. Now serving the needs of the city's children are 930 teachers and 335 clerks, custodians, truck drivers, and various other employees needed to man school offices and facilities.

Program to Improve

The district also sought to continue to improve its instructional program. Superintendent Hull laid down a 17-point program for the district, which pledged continued striving for better instruction of each individual child and a constant evaluation to see that the schools are doing the best job possible. He listed four important points

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